THE RIGHT PATH

AHLE SUNNAT WAL JAMAAT

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All Praise to Allah and Darud O Salaam on Hazrat Muhammad Sallalah O Alaihe Wasallam who came to us as Rahmatal lil Alameen and to show us the right path to save us in both lives and to connect us with Allah.
He brought us the Kalamullah (Quran Majeed) and his life is a mantle of guidance for the whole mankind.
Rasoolullah (saw) said : “Seek knowledge from cradle to grave”
Its obligatory for every muslim man and woman to seek Ilm (knowledge)
The first Wahi revealed to Prophet Muhammad (SAW) was “Iqra”
(to read)
In another Narration Hazrat Rasool e Kareem (SAW) said “Seek knowledge even if you have to go to China”
Without knowledge you cannot differentiate between Haq(Right) and Batil (Wrong)
Today there are different sects which departed from the main course of Islam and claim to be on the right path. I will only touch the basics so you could see for yourself who is following the Footsteps of Prophet Muhammad (SAW) for the last 14 centuries.

On the authority of Hazrat Abdullah Ibne Amar (RA) Hazrat Rasoolullah (SAW) Said, “Verily, the iBan Israel were divided into 72 sects , my followers will be divided into 73 sects. They all will be in Hell except one sect. The Ashab e Kiram sought clarification, He replied, That Sect will follow “My Sunnat” and “My Ashab” (RA)
Another narration by Hazrat Ibn e Omar (RA) that he heard The Holy Prophet (SAW)saying while he was facing the East, “Behold, the Fitna (Mischief) is here and the Mischief of Satan will rise from here.”
There is also stated by Hazrat Ibn e Omar (RA) who told that The Holy Prophet (SAW) made supplication to Allah, “Oh Allah shower for us your blessings on Sham and shower your blessings on Yemen. Then one Companion asked for blessings on Najd. The Holy Prophet (SAW) said, Oh Allah Shower your blessings on Sham and shower your blessings on Yemen. The Companion requested for Najd again. The narrator understood that the Holy Prophet said on third time that there will be tremors and troubles and the Mischief of the Satan will start from there.
Rasoolullah said on another occasion that the right path is my Sunnat and the Sunnat of Khulfa e Rashideen, which prevailed for only 30 years including the six months of Khilafat of Imam Hassan (RA)

The Holy Prophet (SAW) said, “I am leaving two things among you, one is The Holy Quran, if you follow it you will never be astray, and second “My Ahl e Bait” and they are just like the Kishti e Noah (AS) {Noah’s Ark} whoever will be on it will be “Najjah” means will survive.”

Allah (SWT) said in Quran e Majeed “ Wa tasimu bi Hablillah i jamiaun Wa la tafarraqu” means “Hold Allah’s rope very strongly and do not divide into sects.”

Ahl e Sunnat wal Jamaat is the “Rope of Allah” and whoever leaves the Jamaat and makes a new sect is astray because he did not followed Allah’s clear orders and became a firqa (Sect)

In brief the right path is following The Quran, Sunnat e Rasool (SAW), Ashab e Kiram (The Companions), The Ahl e Bait and Ijma e Ummat.

Hadith Sharif is “Kullo Bidaat e Dalalat” (All new innovations are astray)

Stop here for a second and think what is Bidaat?

In short words any new sect which comes into existence leaving The Rope Of Allah is Bidaat and astray. Because they are quitting the way of Sahaba e Kiram and Ahl e Bait and abandoned the Ijmaa of Ummat and Sawaad e Azam (Vast Majority of Ummat).

Do not forget that they have left the Hablullah and have created Tafarraqa(Split into small sects causing Fitna) against the way of Sahaba, Tabaeen And Taba Tabaeen

We always pray in Surah Fatiha, which is also called Ummul Quran. We ask Allah (SWT) to “Show us the right path” (Ihdi nas sirat al mustaqeem), “the path which has His blessings” (Siratal lazeen a an amta alaihim). Who are these people which are blessed. Allah (SWT) answers to our prayers in Sura Baqra saying “The blessed people are The Nabi-een, The Siddiqeen, The Shuhada and The Saliheen (Auliya e kiram) and did not stop there and said ‘Wa hasana oulaika rafiqa” (Translation: “And they are the best people to make friends and to be their companion”)

Take a moment and see where we stand. If we are at the “Right Path” then Alhamdulillah and congratulations to you but if you are facing and heading towards the wrong direction, then its about time to make a “U” turn and start walking towards Allah (SWT) and His Last Prophet Muhammad (SAW) before its too late and our prayer is said (before we die). Nobody wants to be a looser at the Day of Judgement when a life starts which is never ending.

May Allah bless us to stay on the right path. (Ameen)

We must get together under one umbrella and unite as a Muslim Ummat. We must study Quran and Sunnah, the life of The Khairul Quroon (Sahaba, Tabaeen and Taba Tabaeen (RA), Ijma e Ummat and The Auliya e Kiram. If we think by listening to some Cassettes and CD’s and reading just a few books we have learned all about Islam

And think if you have become a scholar or muhaddith and a final authority, you are dead wrong. If you consider it possible then you have created fitna in the Ummat of The Beloved Prophet (SAW).
Rasoolullah (SAW) said “There will never be an Ijmaa on a wrong thing in my Ummat”
Lets get together under the umbrella of Ahle Sunnat for the sake of Allah and should spread the Word of Allah and His Beloved Prophet (May peace upon Him)
There are lot of books to read in detail but I have made a very short presentation and was very direct to the core issue of today.
Once you have learned the difference between Ahl e Sunnat and Ahl e Bidaat, now I would like to give you a brief description about basic beliefs of Ahl e Sunnat so you can also recognize someone by their act if they are right or wrong.
It is not so difficult to remember these few things so you can follow the blessed path.

Signs of Ahl e Sunnat

Some of the basic beliefs of Ahl e Sunnah wal Jamaat are as follows:

1. Follow The Quran and Sunnah as mentioned in Books of Hadith, they do not limit the Ahadith to only Sihah Sittah (The six books of Ahadith) but accept all other books of Ahadith. Otherwise you will deny thousands of Sahih Ahadith.
2. To believe Hazrat Muhammad ur Rasoolullah (SAW) is the Last Prophet of Allah.
3. Must have the deepest love in our hearts for Hazrat Muhammad (SAW) more than anything else including his own life, as it is the condition of being a Momin.
4. Hold the Hablullah (Rope of Allah) real strong without any slipping and stick with the Jamaat.
5. Follow the Khulfa e Rashideen (RA)and Sunnat of other Sahaba (Companions) RA
6. Sunnis will always be sending Durood and Salaam on Rasoolallah (SAW)
7. They pray 20 rakaats of Taraweeh Prayer in the Holy Month of Ramadhan, as there is not just Ijmaa e Ummat but also Ijma e Sahaba since Hazrat Umer (RA). As we all believe nobody can understand Islam better than these sacred and sactified personalities, known as Sahaba (RA). Allah (SWT) has addressed them as “Radhiallahu wa Radhu Anhu”(Allah is pleased with them and they are pleased with Allah)

8. They celebrate Eid Milad un Nabi (SAW), Lailatul Isra wal Miraj, Nifsul Shabaan and Laila tul Qadr with great love and enthusiasm.
9. Believe in Intercession (Shafaat) Nabi e Kareem (SAW)
10. Commemorate the Urs and demise of Auliya Allah (RA)
11. They believe in Isaal e Sawaab for the Momineen.
12. They love Sahaba and Ahl e Bait (RA)
13. They are eager and keen to perform all kind of Sunnats and Nawafils by not just limting it to Fard only.

Four Imams of Ahle Sunnat

Ahl e Sunnat has four School of Thoughts and all of them are on The Right Path, and whichever Imam you follow it will take you to Jannah (Heaven) and they are as follows:

14. Imam e Azam Abu Hanifa (RA)
2. Imam Malik bin Anas (RA)
3. Imam Muhammad Shafaee (RA)
4. Imam Ahmad bin Hanbal (RA)

If you do not follow any of the above Imams and create your own Firqa then you are among the 72 sects which is astray and totally opposite from Ahl e Sunnat (which is the Naji Firqa ,the one which will be forgiven)

Lets put our heart and soul together and decide where you want to be and the options are:

1. With Rasoolullah (SAW) or
2. With Satan here and Hell later.

May Allah Show us the right path and let us follow His Beloved Rasool (SAW) and bless His Qurb (nearness) and make us the companion of Ahl e bait, Ashab e Kibar and Ale Rasool and Auliya e Kiram and our tongues stay perfumed with Salat o Salaam(Ameen)

I deidcate this article to Hazrat Baba Mohkam Din Sahib (RA) of Jagraon Sharif, District Ludhiana, India. His Urs Mubarik is celebrated throughout Sub Continent as “Roshni Ka Mela” in February since the year 1913 A.D.
May Allah Sanctify his soul and spirit (Ameen) and also seek forgiveness of my parents and grand parents who were The Sajjada Nishin of their Mazar Sharif.
May Allah Perfume their graves and make them Garden of Jannah and lighten up with His Noor (Ameen)
Allah please keep your everlasting blessings upon our family here in this world and thereafter (Ameen) and give us the knowledge of Quran and Sunnah and fill our hearts with love of Hazrat Rasool e Kareem (SAW) Ameen.

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